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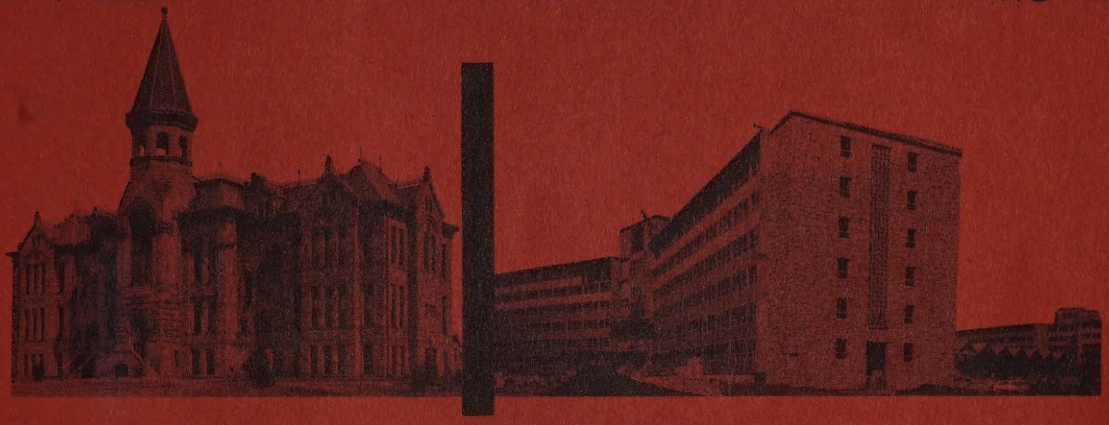

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING : LARAMIE

1962

THE SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING IS CELEBRATING ITS 75TH ANNIVERSARY DURING THE 1961-62 ACADEMIC YEAR. BY COINCIDENCE THE SAME YEAR IS THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LAND GRANT COLLEGE ACT, THEREFORE THE UNIVERSITY, A LAND GRANT COLLEGE, IS COMMEMORATING BOTH ANNIVERSARIES.

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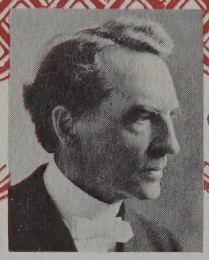
THE COMMITTEE IN CHARGE HAS ARRANGED TO CELEBRATE THESE ANNIVERSARIES THROUGH SOME TWENTY ACTIVITIES DURING THE YEAR. AMONG THESE ARE TALKS TO ALUMNI CLUBS THROUGHOUT THE STATE BY UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES, ANNIVERSARY EDITIONS OF VARIOUS UNIVERSITY PUBLICATIONS, HOMECOMING THEME, HISTORICAL EXHIBITS, DEDICATION OF SEVERAL NEW BUILDINGS, PRESS AND RADIO ANNOUNCEMENTS, ETC.

SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO THE UNIVERSITY OPENED ITS DOORS TO A HANDFUL OF STUDENTS AND A FACULTY OF SIX, IN AN UNFINISHED BUILDING ON AN UNDEVELOPED CAMPUS OF 17 ACRES. LAST YEAR (1960-61) ENROLLMENTS INCLUDED 4100 REGULAR TERM STUDENTS AND 2200 SUMMER TERM STUDENTS. THE ACADEMIC STAFF PERFORMING TEACHING, RESEARCH, ADMINISTRATIVE AND SERVICE DUTIES NUMBERED 400. THE CAMPUS NOW COMPRISES 438 ACRES, 30 MAJOR BUILDINGS, 364 MARRIED STUDENT UNITS, 12 FRATERNITY AND SORORITY HOUSES, NUMEROUS PLAYING FIELDS AND LESSER BUILDINGS.

1887
FIRST Twenty-five Years
1912

PRESIDENTS

1. JOHN W. HOYT, 1887-1890
2. ALBINUS A. JOHNSON, 1891-1896
3. FRANK P. GRAVES, 1896-1898
4. ELMER E. SMILEY, 1898-1903
5. CHARLES W. LEWIS, 1903-1904
6. FREDERICK M. TISDALE, 1904-1908
7. CHARLES O. MERICA, 1908-1912



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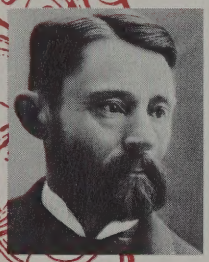

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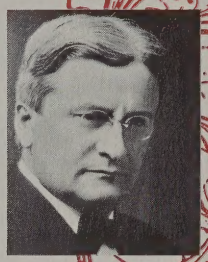

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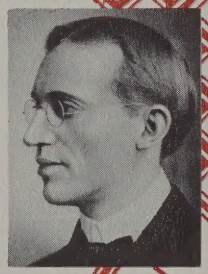

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MARCH 4, 1886	UNIVERSITY BILL SIGNED BY TERRITORIAL GOVERNOR, FRANCIS E. WARREN.
SEPTEMBER 27, 1886	CORNERSTONE OF OLD MAIN LAID.
JULY-AUGUST, 1887	FIRST FACULTY CHOSEN INCLUDING JUSTUS F. SOULE, AVEN NELSON, WILLIAM I. SMITH, J. D. CONLEY, A. M. SAWIN, ELIZABETH ARNOLD.
SEPTEMBER 6, 1887	TERRITORIAL UNIVERSITY OPENED.
JANUARY, 1891	INCORPORATED AS STATE UNIVERSITY.
	MORRILL FUNDS ACCEPTED FOR COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS.
JUNE, 1891	FIRST COMMENCEMENT. TWO GRADUATES.
1894	COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE, LIBERAL ARTS, AND ENGINEERING ESTABLISHED.
1898	FIRST GRADUATE DEGREES CONFERRED.
1899	ROCKY MOUNTAIN HERBARIUM NAMED.
1899	FOSSIL FIELD EXPEDITION IN COOPERATION WITH UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD.
1905	FIRST SUMMER SESSION, 27 ENROLLED.
1907	OLD PENITENTIARY PROPERTY TRANSFERRED TO THE UNIVERSITY FOR A STOCK FARM.
1908	SEMESTER PLAN ADOPTED.
1909	PUBLICATION OF THE FIRST 'WYO'.
1910	FIRST NATIONAL SORORITY, PHI BETA PHI.
1911-12	TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED.
	REGULAR SCHOOL ENROLLMENT, 213, NUMBER OF DEGREES CONFERRED, 12.

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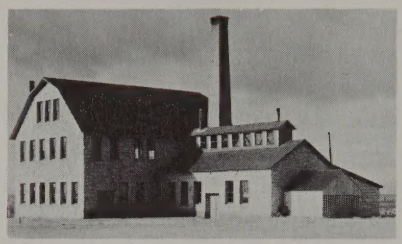

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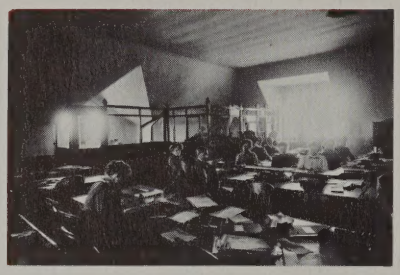

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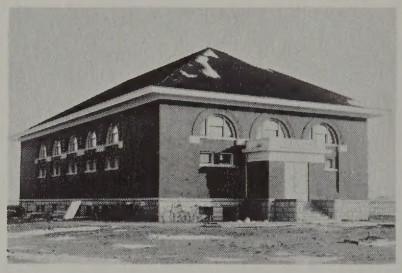

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1. MECHANICAL ARTS BUILDING, 1893
DISMANTLED IN 1950

2. COMMERCE CLASS, 1899

3. CAMPUS VIEW FROM PRESENT
LOCATION OF B. & G. BUILDING

4. LITTLE GYMNASIUM, 1903,
DISMANTLED IN 1935

5. LIBRARY, 1896, OLD MAIN, DR.
GRACE RAYMOND HEBARD, LIBRARIAN

6. GIRLS STUDY HALL, OLD MAIN, 1898

7. THE FACULTY, 1901-02

8. CAMERA CLUB, 1897

9. ST. MATTHEW'S HALL, FIRST
WOMEN'S DORMITORY, 1900

10. FOOTBALL, THE FLYING WEDGE, 1900

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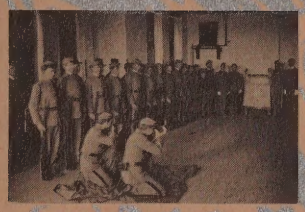

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11. AUDITORIUM, OLD MAIN, DECORATED FOR COMMENCEMENT, 1896

12. SCIENCE HALL, 1900, NOW WEST WING OF GEOLOGY BUILDING

13. RIFLE RANGE, BASEMENT OF OLD MAIN, 1898

14. MERICA HALL, 1908, NOW MERICA-PHARMACY BUILDING

15. FIRST SUMMER SCHOOL, 1905

16. NORMAL BUILDING, 1910, NOW GRADUATE SCHOOL BUILDING

17. FOOTBALL COACH, 1900-05, WILLIAM MCMURRAY

18. HALL OF LANGUAGE, 1887, NOW OLD MAIN, REMODELED, 1949

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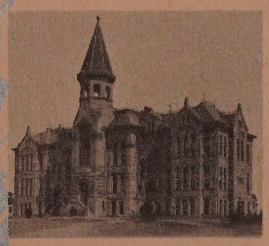

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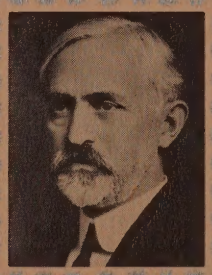
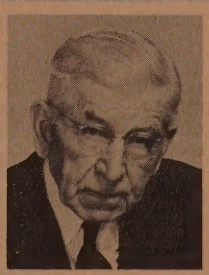
1912 1937



Clyde A. Duniway, 1912-1917



Aven Nelson, 1917-1922

Arthur G. Crane, 1922-1941

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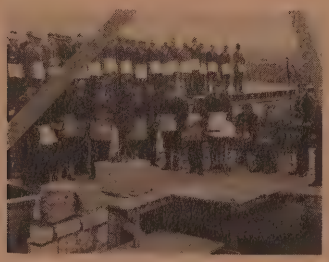

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1. Student Army Training Corps, 1919
2. Rocky Mountain Herbarium, Dr. Aven Nelson, 1914
3. Library, 1922, Aven Nelson Memorial Building, 1959
4. Laying Cornerstone, Engineering Building, 1926
5. Men's Residence Hall, 1930 and Gymnasium, 1925
6. Agriculture Hall, 1914, Now Chemistry-Zoology
7. Dance in the "Half Acre", 1929
8. Corbett Field from top of Gymnasium, 1927
9. "Half Acre" Gymnasium, 1925
10. Play, THE MERCHANT OF VENICE, staged in the Little Gym, 1917
11. Science Camp, 1931
12. Liberal Arts Building, 1936, Now Arts and Sciences
13. Geology Field Fleet, Jackson Hole, 1930
14. Engineering Building, 1922
15. Geology Field Kitchen, Franklin Car, 1930
16. Hoyt Hall, 1916

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1912 ..... First Dean, Dean Henry G. Knight of the College of Agriculture
Agriculture Extension Service instituted

1913 ..... First national fraternity—Alpha Tau Omega

1914 ..... Second Dean, Dean J. O. Creager of Education.
Graduate School policies organized

1916 ..... Tower of Old Main removed.
R.O.T.C. unit installed

1917 ..... First Dean of Liberal Arts, Dean Justus F. Soule

1918 ..... First High School basketball tournament; High School week, 1919.

1919 ..... Term plan adopted.
Dr. Grace R. Hebard resigned as librarian, 1894-1919.

1920 ..... Law School began.
First Dean of Men, Dean Justus F. Soule.

1921 ..... Wyoming admitted to Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference

June, 1921 ..... First honorary degree, Carrie Chapman Catt.

1922 ..... First Homecoming.

March, 1923 ..... **Branding Iron** name adopted for school paper.

June, 1923 ..... First Science Camp

1924 ..... University admitted to the Association of Accredited Universities

1925-1926 ..... Regular year student enrollment 1007. Degrees conferred 112.

1927 ..... Health Service started.

1928 ..... First basketball divisional championship.

1929 ..... Sigma Xi chapter charter granted.

Feb., 1937 ..... Legislature approved bond issue for Student Union Building.

June, 1937 ..... Fiftieth anniversary of University celebrated.
Regular year student enrollment, 1900. Number of degrees conferred, 222.

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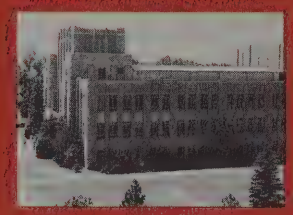

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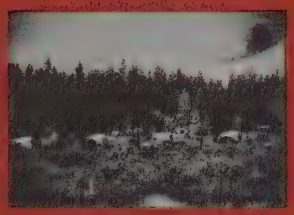

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Civil Engineering Class, 1914

Band, 1917

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ARTHUR G. CRANE, 1923-1941

1. LEWIS J. MORRILL 1942-1945

2. GEORGE DUKE HUMPHREY 1945-

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THIRD Twenty·five Years 1937 / 1962

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NATURAL RESOURCES RESEARCH INSTITUTE ESTABLISHED	1943
N.C.A.A. BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP	1943
GRADUATE SCHOOL FOUNDED	1945
COLLEGE OF PHARMACY ESTABLISHED	1946
FIRST PH.D. DEGREE CONFERRED COLLEGE OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY ESTABLISHED DIVISION OF ADULT EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICE ESTABLISHED	1947
FIRST CONFERENCE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP	1949
WESTERN INTERSTATE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION ESTABLISHED	1953
DIVISION OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC RESEARCH ESTABLISHED ADOPTION OF THE SEMESTER PLAN FOR THE SECOND TIME	1955
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS CHANGED TO COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES	1956
COLLEGE OF NURSING ESTABLISHED SCHOOL OF AMERICAN STUDIES ESTABLISHED, PROGRAM BEGUN IN 1954	1957
HONORS PROGRAM INSTITUTED BY THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES	1958
UNIVERSITY LAUNCHES ITS LARGEST $11,743,000 BUILDING PROGRAM	1959
REGULAR STUDENT ENROLLMENT 4100, SUMMER STUDENT ENROLLMENT 2200. NUMBER OF DEGREES CONFERRED 967 DEVELOPMENT OF EAST CAMPUS RECREATIONAL AREA	1960-61
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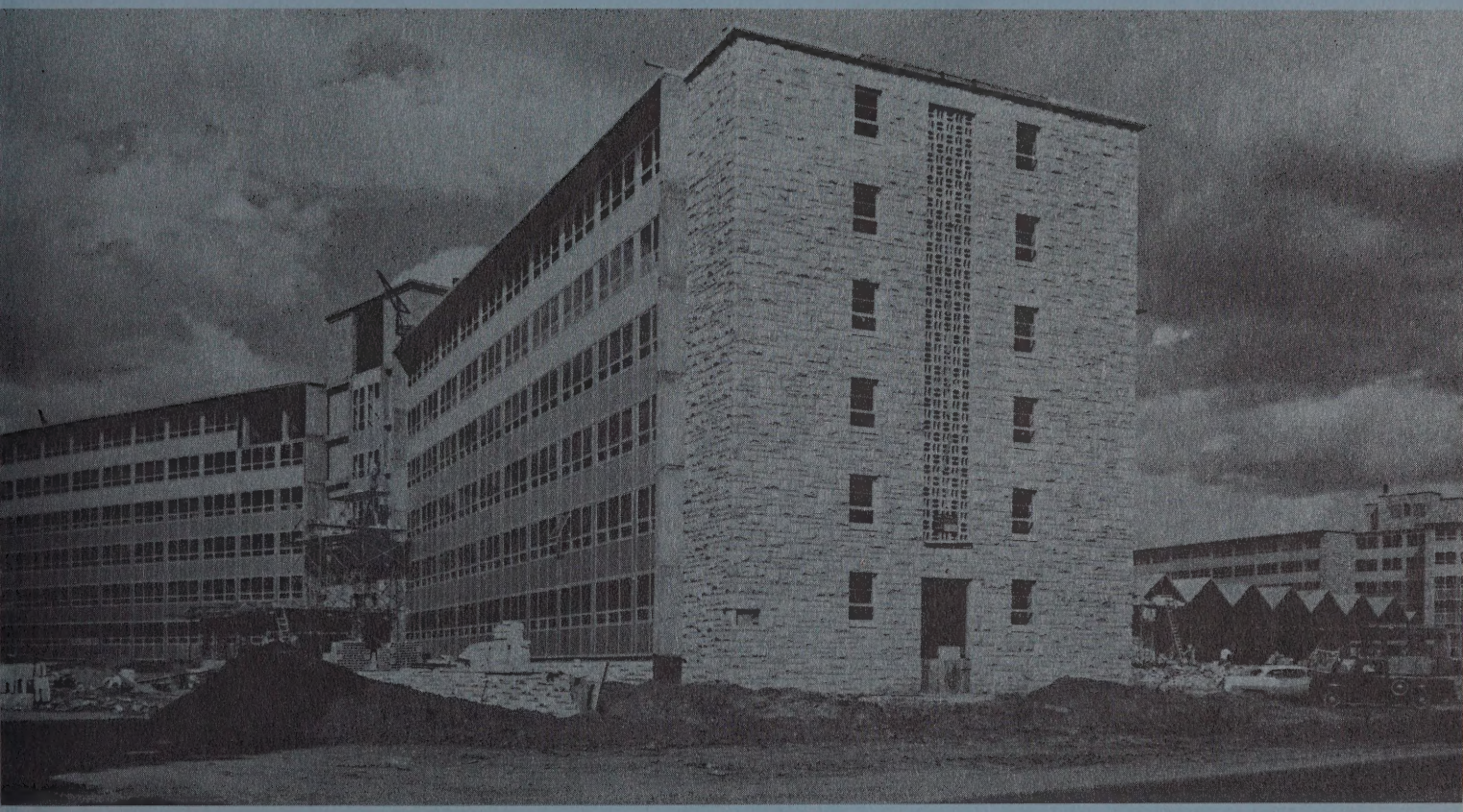

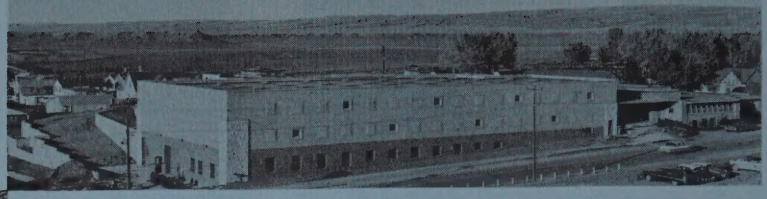

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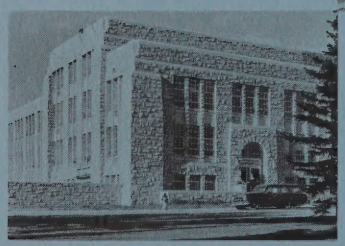

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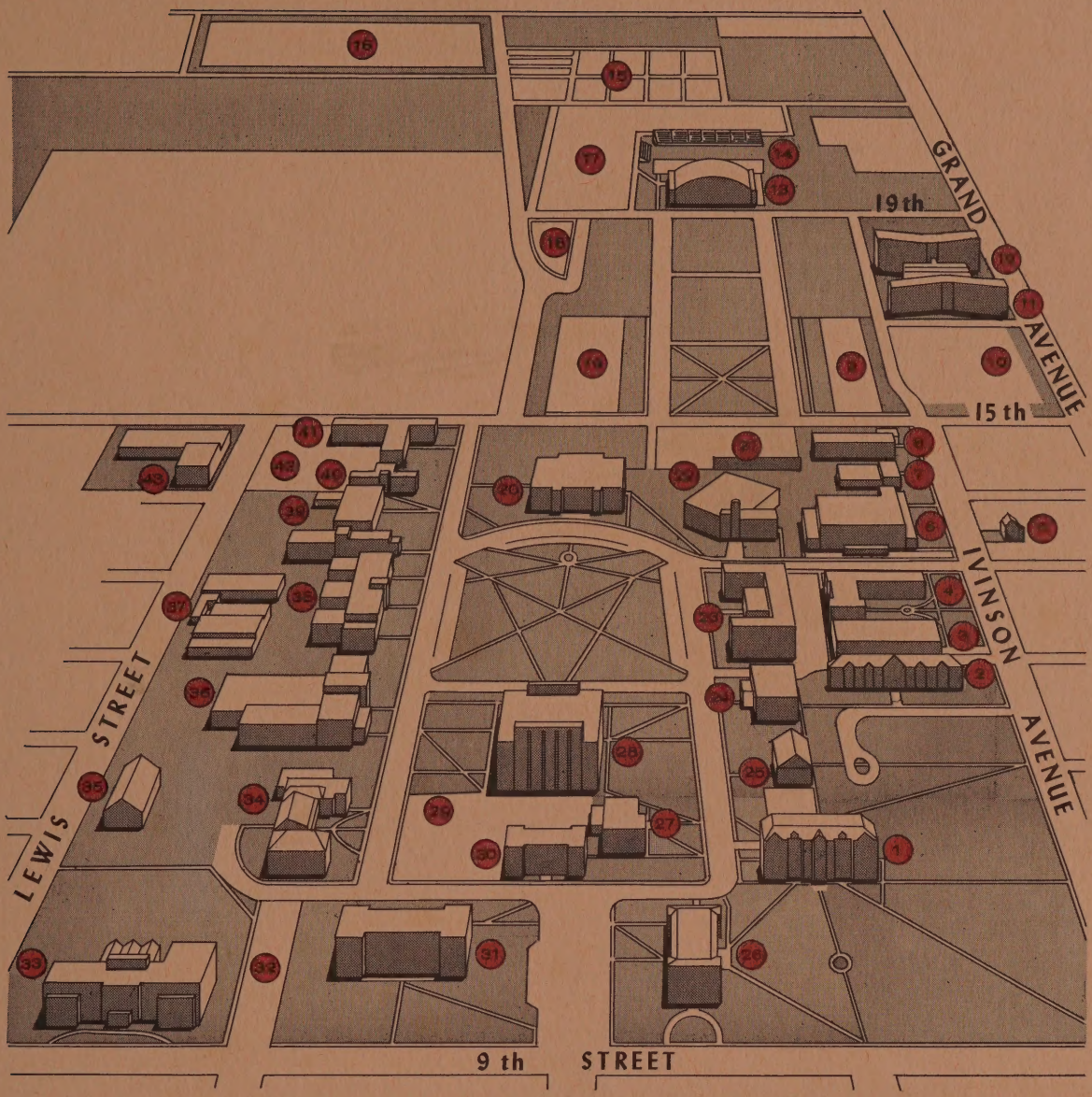

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5. PRESIDENT'S HOME
6. COE LIBRARY
7. LAW BUILDING
8. COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY BUILDING
9. SORORITY HOUSES
10. DORMITORY PARKING
11. HILL HALL
12. CRANE HALL AND CAFETERIA
13. MEMORIAL FIELD HOUSE
14. STADIUM
15. MARRIED STUDENT HOUSING
16. RECREATION AREA
17. STADIUM PARKING
18. MARRIED STUDENT HOUSING
19. FRATERNITY HOUSES
20. GYMNASIUM
21. CORBETT FIELD
22. UNION BUILDING
23. ROSS HALL
24. HEALTH AND NURSING BUILDING
25. MERICA PHARMACY BUILDING
26. NELSON MEMORIAL BUILDING
27. ART-POST OFFICE BUILDING
28. ARTS AND SCIENCES BUILDING
29. PARKING LOT
30. GRADUATE BUILDING
31. CHEMISTRY-ZOOLOGY BUILDING
32. PARKING LOT
33. BUREAU OF MINES BUILDING
34. GEOLOGY BUILDING
35. POWER HOUSE
36. ENGINEERING BUILDING
37. N.R.R.I.
38. AGRICULTURE BUILDINGS
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40. MEN'S RESIDENCE HALL
41. WYOMING HALL
42. DORMITORY PARKING
43. MAINTENANCE BUILDING

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